

REMARKS

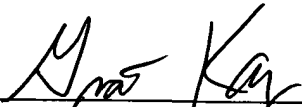
Applicant submits this Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 9, 2004. Pursuant to Tom Keating's December 14, 2004 telephone conference with Legal Instruments Examiner Margaret Byars, Applicant submits a listing of the claims showing the proper status identifier. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment originally showed Box A being checked stating that a complete listing of the claims was not present; however, Examiner Byars stated that all the claims were present and Box C should be checked requiring the proper status identifier be provided for each claim.

Conclusion

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided. Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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